Krishnaswamy, Vice-Chancellor, Madurai Kamraj University, was selected for the award in 1987 for valuable service rendered to the cause of environmental education and its awareness in India and the Third World Countries.

Internal promotion of teachers of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan

3731. DR. R. K. PODDAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is a provision for internal promotion of serving teachers on the basis of ACRs in Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof in respect of different categories of teachers; and

(c) what is the provision for promotion of those teachers who are reinstated after being out of service for 3 years immediately preceding the year of D.P.C./Promotion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) At present the quota for promotion to the level of PGTs and TGTs is 33-1/3 per cent of the total number of posts.

(c) There is no provision specifically for promotion of teachers reinstated after being out of service for a period of three years. Such cases are considered in accordance with rules on merits keeping in view the facts of each case.

Persons killed in bus accidents

3732. SHRIMATI KRISHNA KAUL: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of persons killed/injured in bus accidents due to over-crowding in different parts of the country; and

(b) the steps Government propose to take to check such accidents by ensuring that buses are not overcrowded?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) Separate statistic indicating bus accidents primarily due to over-crowding have not been maintained. In order to ensure that the vehicle carries passengers according to stipulated limits, the State Governments have been empowered to make rules under Section 68(2) (L) to determine the number of passengers a stage carriage or a contract carriage is to carry. The relevant stipulations are accordingly put in the registration certification of the vehicles. The need for strict enforcement of regulations has been brought to the notice of the State Governments, for reducing the incidence of accidents.

Study on road accidents conducted by CRRI

3733. SHRIMATI KRISHNA KAUL: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether according to a study conducted by Central Road Research Institute that the risk of being killed on roads is increasing in metropolitan cities of Bombay, Calcutta, Madras and Delhi;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action Government propose to take to make the roads safe?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) The Central Research Institute had carried out analysis of Road Accidents data for six metropolitan cities. According to this study, except for Bombay and Calcutta the risk of a person being killed in a road accident had increas-

ed during the decade 1971-81. The comparative picture of the six metropolitan cities is as under:—

	Chance of being involved in a fatal accident during the year	
	1971	1981
India	1 to 37900	1 to 28400
Calcutta	1 to 16800	1 to 22900
Bombay	1 to 9950	1 to 12200
Delhi	1 to 10300	1 to 5800
Madras	1 to 17200	1 to 12600
Bangalore	1 to 9840	1 to 7960
Ahmedabad	1 to 23500	1 to 17100

(c) with a view to help process of reduction of accidents, the following measures have been incorporated in the Motor Vehicle Bill, 1987 for tightening of legal position:—

(i) Issue of driving licence to drive a transport vehicle only after stipulated training in a recognised driving school;

(ii) Medical fitness certificate for every renewal of driving licence;

(iii) Reaction test for driver on involvement in fatal accidents;

(iv) Laying down of standards in respect of critical components of vehicles;

(vi) Deterrent action for violation of Traffic regulations, road safety and pollution control standard and standards for transportation of hazardous and explosive material.

The setting up of transport nagars on the outskirts of the cities is recommended to the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations, so that the congestion is avoided in the cities. Besides this in order to make road travel safe widening of roads, geometric improvement, junction designs, signalisation, channelisation, pedestrian sub-ways are being provided in the Metropolitan Cities.

Drivers' training school

3734. SHRIMATI KRISHNA KAUL: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to ask the States to set-up drivers' training schools in view of the rising incidents of motor accidents in the country; and

(b) if so, the details of the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) The Central Government has been impressing upon the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations to establish Motor Driving Training Schools as Plan schemes. To further this objective, the Motor Vehicles' Bill, 1987, provides for issue of a Driving Licence to drive a transport vehicle only after production of a Certificate of Training from a recognised Training School.